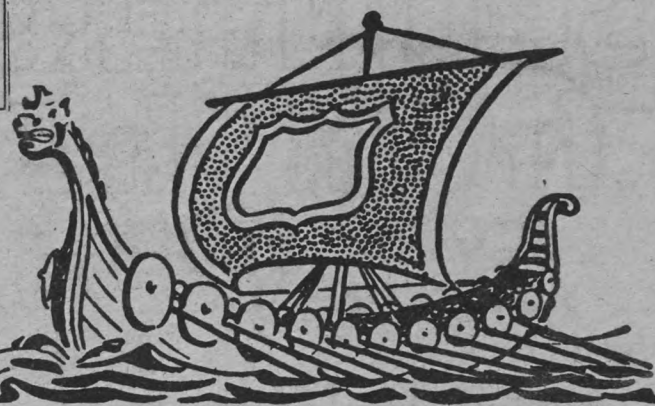


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QUEEN CONTEST

FROM THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

For those of you who did not have the opportunity to read the September issue of the *Scandinavian Centre News*, the following is a reprint of an article which appeared in that newspaper:

"THE SMELL OF GOOD FOOD"

By Claus Jacobsen

With Stella's Catering leaving the Centre, a good deal has been lost. An easy \$1,000 a month catering commission, and a lot of necessary business will be lost, including the smell of good food. We old-timers enjoyed the service rendered by Stella's Catering and regret the loss of good food and service and an easy revenue to the Centre.

We thank Stella and Pete for the time spent at the Centre, and the best of luck to them in the future.

We, who know a good deal (business talent) when we see one, regret the action of the present management and board of directors' decision regarding catering (the main revenue of the Centre).

Believe me, under the present circumstances, it will be a disaster to the Centre, or unless the board of directors wake up from their "sleep-in" meetings, and go more easy on the nightcaps, the Centre's life-time can be counted in months.

When you are not supporting the *Scandinavian Centre News*, you may forward a few dollars to the Manager's operating account to keep the Centre from the accountant's hammer. It is not enough that the person who takes over the kitchen is a good cook, it takes some organizational talent to serve 500 people in three different parties, with three

different menus at the same time. I don't think there is a person in connection with the Centre at the moment who can handle it.

Sorry, but that is my opinion. Hope I am wrong. Time will tell.

Claus Jacobsen

Of prime interest to the Board of Directors is the welfare and progress of the Scandinavian Centre, and this is the overriding consideration in all decision-making. The Board, however, respects the right of any shareholder to disagree with its decisions, and any member who has questions is most welcome to come to a Board meeting and ask for answers. If there are still serious doubts as to the course of action being taken, that member has the option open to him or her to take steps in order to have a Special General Meeting called for the purpose of dealing with such matters.

Mr. Claus Jacobsen has therefore been extended a written invitation to attend the Board Meeting on October 4th.

We must also emphasize that the Manager of the Scandinavian Centre serves in a consulting capacity only; policy decisions are the exclusive responsibility of the Board of Directors.

The personal allegations made by Mr. Jacobsen, however, are a different matter, and the Board of Directors must demand that he either

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FROM THE BOARD

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MORE DONATIONS

Queen chosen from five groups October 9th

By Karin Jackson, Cultural Director

Where are all of our gorgeous Scandinavian girls? On Wednesday, October 9, they will be gracing the Viking Room of the Scandinavian Centre.

On October 6, each and every one of you is invited to attend the wine and cheese party at 8:00 p.m. This will be our preliminary con-

test to pick our Queen. Each contestant will be interviewed individually by the three judges on: personality, poise, general knowledge of her country of origin and current events. Then on Saturday, October 9, will be the final judging at the dinner and dance being held by the FINNISH SOCIETY. The price for the dinner and dance will be \$7.50 per person. Cocktails will be at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7:00, with the final judging and crowning following dinner.

Final judging will consist of each girl entertaining the diners with her talent, be it singing, dancing, playing an instrument, reciting, etc. (I'm sure the talents of all the girls will be endless.) The judges will then make their final decision and we shall have the crowning of our new Scandinavian Centre Queen.

As we all know, this annual contest is a real thrill for all of our societies. This is the time of year our Scandinavian ambassador of cheer and good will is chosen. The lucky young lady will represent us to the people of Edmonton and will reign over our Centre for one year.

Now, girls, if you are: Scandinavian by birth or descent, single and between the ages of 18 and 25, a member or a daughter of a member of one of the five Scandinavian ethnic groups, or a shareholder or a



Karin (Nasset) Jackson being crowned last year as Scandinavian Centre Queen by former Queen, Inge Nielsen. Mrs. Jackson will crown this year's new Queen at the Scandinavian Centre at a dinner and dance Saturday, October 9.

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QUEEN CONTEST

SPLINTERS from the BOARD

FUTURE GREAT

The Centre is on the upswing and the Board is really optimistic about the future.

HAPPY WITH CATERER

Our customers are very happy with the present caterer, and our arrangement with her is certainly beneficial to the Centre.

VENTILATION BETTER

If you've been out to the Centre recently, we're sure you'll have noticed the improvement in the ventilation... thanks to our Manager and Per Nielsen the air is moving and the smoke is kept cleared.

AUGUST FLOOD

We had another flood in the basement in August and it was costly to clean up; it seems we'll continue to be plagued with this problem until the City completes the storm sewer system in our area.

EXPANSION PLANS

We're still waiting (with fingers crossed) for news on our grant application from the City of Edmonton; expansion plans are necessarily at a standstill until we hear from them.

HERITAGE DAY DONATION

And we all owe a vote of thanks to the five societies for donating the profit from their hard work at Heritage Day celebrations to the Scandinavian Centre News; we are also very grateful to those shareholders who have sent donations in support of this paper. We're still looking hard at ways and means to get the paper at least close to paying for itself.

CHARTER FLIGHT PROGRAM

Vera Nielsen's hard work and loyal support have again resulted in a highly successful charter flight program this summer... our thanks, Vera.

SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE QUEEN CONTEST

Hope you're all thinking "Scandinavian Centre Queen"—the preliminary judging will be at a wine and cheese party at the Centre on Wednesday evening, October 6th, at 8:00 p.m.—the final judging will be at a fun affair on Saturday, October 9th, in conjunction with the Finnish Society.

SCANDAPADES '77

We're all enthusiastic about the new version of Scandapades being planned for presentation at the Centre in 1977—Sol Sigurdson will be calling on all the groups for their support and assistance in the very near future.

VIKING DISCO CLOSED DOWN

The only black cloud on our horizon at the moment is the fact that we have had to close the Viking Disco. We gave it a year's trial and it is with regret that we have decided that it has not accomplished the purposes for which it was formed.

SUGGESTIONS WELCOME

It is therefore difficult to understand the overtones of pessimism which have permeated several recently published articles. We have many times asked—almost begged, in fact—for suggestions and ideas from our shareholders. We have stated that we welcome questions. As a Board, we have received zero in all departments. Our invitation still stands—we WELCOME your interest—the telephone numbers of all the Directors are in the same place in this paper that they have always been and we would like to hear from you.

NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

The New Year's Eve party is in the final planning stages and tickets will be available soon; there will be a limited number and they will be sold on a "first-come-first-served" basis.

SAVING SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE NEWS

Vera Nielsen has saved every issue of the Scandinavian Centre News since it began being published on November 1, 1958. It is unfortunate, however, that there are a few issues which she is missing. Here are the issues, and if you have any of these particular copies and would give them to Mrs. Nielsen, she would be very grateful.

October 1959, February 1961, March 1964, July 1967, February 1968, March 1970, December 1970 and June 1971.

Anyone wishing to send any of these issues to Vera, kindly address them to:

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VIKING CRY

By Les Greenham

Good evening, folks. As most of you know by now, the Scandinavian Club Viking is alive and well—functioning like a well oiled machine. So far this year, we have had two social get-togethers and both were a financial success. Now the Scandinavian Centre has asked Club Viking to take charge of the New Year's Party. As you all know, yours truly, Les Greenham, wants this event to be the greatest party the Scandinavian Centre has ever experienced. With this in mind, a meeting was held with Harv Haugen, Peter Elander and myself in attendance, and I would like to mention all the gimmicks and ideas we came up with to make this evening the most exciting New Year's ever. However, you, the unsuspecting public, then would know what all is going to take place, and that would spoil the surprise effect. We are forced to raise the price a couple of dollars over last year. But, as Harv said, they are sure going to get their money's worth.

One thing we can tell you without spoiling any surprises, as a matter of fact, and that you will probably be glad to read is that we are going to provide a combined Canadian and Scandinavian Smorgasbord. The ethnic foods will be representative of all five Scandinavian groups. Folks, how do you like that idea? If you have any ideas or want to assist us in any way, contact your Club Viking president, Les Greenham, at 455-0082.

See you next month. □

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Bernard and Kay Olafson returned from an enjoyable trip to Norway and Sweden. They visited relatives in Oslo, Tromso, Narvik and Bardu in Norway, and Stock-

John and Astrid Hope cel-

Following the celebration Astrid motored back to Saskatchewan to visit with her mother for a few more days.

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Food, Cooking & Eating

By Olav Sveen

After I have been playing the accordion for a whole year at the Hotel Londonderry Dining Lounge, I believe it is time to talk a bit about food, cooking and eating. As we have been told, man is a cooking animal, and whatever his situation, his progress in civilization keeps exact pace with the refinement attained through the science of cooking.

The chef at the hotel, Mrs. Ingrid Bak, came to Canada from Denmark in 1949. It was the same year as I arrived from Norway, so all in all, I think we can say: "It was a good year."

In the Dining Lounge, Mrs. Bak presents the material food and, with my music, I present the spiritual food. But, as we all know, material food comes first. A well fed person, is a happy person, and then he is ready to listen to music in all earnestness.

The food is served smorgasbord style. Smorgasbord is a Scandinavian word that has become very important in the English language, and probably also in other languages.

A direct translation of the Swedish word smorgasbord hardly makes any sense at all as it would be something like butter-goose table, but the dictionary says it is "a buffet consisting of a variety of hot and cold foods". It is easy to see that this gives the chef lots of rope as to what can be served. No two smorgasbords have to be the same.

Judging from the crowds of people who flock to the hotel to partake of the culinary delights, Mrs. Bak is an expert at it. And, after being there as long as I have, one can also tell that some of the people come again and again.

Now we shall say a few words about Denmark.

It is an old country. I have been told that when God created the earth, he shook the dirt off his fingers when he was finished and that became what we today call Denmark. That is probably the reason why it is the smallest of the three Scandinavian kingdoms.

It is a great country for producing food. In the days when I went to school it was called Great Britain's pantry or larder, for that was where the English got their bacon and eggs. About 75% of the area is farmland, and over 90% of the country is productive, in one way or another. In Norway, we have that all backwards, with over 95% of the country not cultivated at all.

Food is important to us. It is mentioned in The Lord's Prayer. The bible also tells us that Esau sold his birthright to his brother, Jacob, for a bowl of some kind of

soup. And we have the story about the father who butchered the fatted calf when the prodigal son returned. A son who had stayed home got sore over it, but the father said it was worth it.

In Norse mythology, we find out there is never an end of food in Valhall, the warriors' heaven, for they live off the flesh of the boar, Saerimne. The cook, Andrimne, roasts it every day in the cauldron, Eldrimne, but in the evening the boar is just as whole and alive as before. With the meal the warriors drink ale and mead. The Valhall is a large banquet hall. It has 640 doors, and 960 warriors can walk abreast through each door, but nothing is mentioned about a hostess—she probably would have been trampled underfoot.

At one time the god Tor had been east fighting Jotuns or giants, and he wanted a ferryman to take him across a sound.

"You'll have to ferry me over," said Tor, "then you'll get something to eat from me. I have it in the basket on my back, and better food is not to be found. I, myself, ate my fill of both herring and oats before I left home and I'm not hungry yet."

In the old ethnic poem, "The Guest's Wisdom", we read this:

"A glutton, unless he has his senses about him, eats himself into lifelong misery. The fool's belly makes him a laughingstock in company of gentlefolk. The flocks know their time of folding, and leave their pasture, but a fool never knows the measure of his own belly."

Jørgen Moe tells us in the book, "Norwegian Folk Tales", about the ash lad who had an eating match with the troll. The ash lad outsmarted the troll, who lost its life in the match.

In the Sagas we read a lot about eating, and maybe even more about drinking.

One time the Danish king Knut the Powerful, who ruled both Denmark and England, sent men to King Olav Haraldson in Norway to say he wanted to have that country also. King Olav said to the men:

"King Knut should at least learn moderation in his ambition. Does he mean to eat up all the cabbage in England himself?"

When the men went back to King Knut and told him this, he said to them:

King Olav guesses wrong if he thinks that I myself want to eat up all the cabbage in England."

This story is very much shortened and simplified, but at least it deals with eating, and also with diplomacy in old Scandinavia.

The old kings used to travel around eating a lot, particularly during the Christmas season. The

kings had estates scattered around the country, and when they went around visiting them, they were treated like kings.

In later times, such as a few hundred years ago, we know that people in Norway had, what we today would call, strange eating habits. In everyday life, the whole family used to eat out of the same dish, and often the meal was eaten right out of the pot the meal was cooked in. When they were finished eating, they used to stick both the knife, fork, and spoon into a crack in the wall and leave them there till the next time.

It was an honor for an outsider to be invited to sit down and eat soup or porridge, or whatever, right out of the cooking pot.

Strangers and people with poor eating manners were often served their food in a separate dish, and it was considered a bit degrading.

A story tells us about a man who was divorced from his wife and she came to visit one day and made some porridge. Afterwards he told people that he let her eat out of the pot with him because, as he said: "After all, she used to be my wife."

Norwegians have always been known to be a generous people, and this man didn't want to be an exception to the rule.

One time two strangers came to a farm and were served a dish of soup to share between them and one was given a smaller spoon than the other. The husband was interested in news, so he sat down and started talking with them. Then the guy with the small spoon said to his friend: "You have to do all the talking, because you have the biggest spoon." Apparently he was afraid that the bowl would go empty before he had his share, and that it was unfair competition.

The Norwegian writer, Vinje, tells us about the time in 1860 when he walked from Christiania to Trondheim for the coronation. One day he came to a place called Grut, and he asked the lady of the house if he could buy a meal as he was very hungry. He was served real old-fashioned oatmeal porridge. The chaff was sticking out of the porridge like the bristles on the back of a pig. He said it scraped down his throat as when a chimney sweep puts his broom down a stovepipe. The porridge tasted good in the beginning, but then he realized the porridge was black, and so was the dish and spoon, as well as the table and floor, so it didn't take long before he lost his appetite completely.

An American, Paul Chailly, wrote a book about his travels in Scandinavia about 20 years after Vinje. He tells us about a peculiar Scandinavian dish, fish pudding. He says, in Sweden they commonly use pike, and

in Norway, cod, and he says this dish is very delicious and very light. He also talks about kott-bullar, or meatballs, and kaal-dolmar, a kind of cabbage roll. These are still popular dishes in Scandinavia. They are finger-licking good, and it shows us that we don't change much in a hundred years or so.

My uncle, Stor-John, was a fantastic cook, at least that is the best description I can think of. Every summer for eight years we used to go up in the hills of Surnadal for a couple of weeks in the month of August and make hay. My uncle did the cooking, and it could be described as home cooking away from home. The fireplace was made out of a few flat stones or rocks, and we hung the cooking pot on a stick over the flames—I think we called it a "paak". Anyone with some knowledge of the song, "Nikolina", will know that a paak can be used for other purposes also, such as hitting someone over the back. Sometimes the paak would burn through and the coffeepot or whatever happened to be hanging on it would fall into the flames and cause some excitement.

My uncle never cooked at home, so whatever he had forgotten about the culinary art from one year to the next he had to learn again, and fast. His favorite dish was barley porridge. I shall never forget the first time I saw him making it. Soot flakes fell into the pot so thick that I asked what it would do to the taste of the porridge, but he just kept on stirring and said it would only improve it. He wasn't a fussy guy, and I have a feeling that if a stray frog accidentally jumped in, he would probably keep on stirring as if nothing had happened, and anything short of a jack rabbit would not even make him blink an eye. When he was finished, the porridge was all black, but it tasted delicious. It might have had something to do with the saying, "hunger is the best cook", but we know that hunger can be a dangerous cook.

When I came across the Atlantic on the Stavangerfjord, one of the waiters told us that the ship had been used to transport prisoners of war, but that they could not let them loose at the cold tables because many would eat themselves sick.

I shall never forget the time in July 1934 when my

uncle and I went on a bicycle trip up in Rindalen. It was the worst year for flies I can remember. At one place we had lunch consisting of coffee, bread and some kind of homemade sandwich spread which covered it completely, so it looked like a dish with something black on it was sitting right in front of us. But when one of us came too close with his knife for some more spread, they all took off for a short flight, and sure enough the spread, or at least what was left of it, came into plain sight again. But no sooner was the knife gone and they were back again. It might seem funny that we ate that spread at all, but when you visit friends and relatives in Rindalen, you just eat and shut up, or else they would be insulted. We could feel that the women of the house were looking over our shoulders and watching like hawks to see if we were acting stuckup or something. I heard members of the household comment on the fact that the flies were becoming a bit of a nuisance, and someone mentioned that maybe they should buy some insecticide or at least a flypaper. But this was only talk, and talk doesn't kill the hardy flies they have in Rindalen.

It has also been said that money talks, but in 1934 there was hardly any, so even flypaper was considered an investment. It was the great French gastronome, Brillat-Savarin, who said: "You are what you eat." I am not so sure what my uncle and I were that day.

My home valley, Surnadal, lies close to the sea, and at one time one of the staple foods there was "sild-ball", made out of flour mixed with ground up herring and potatoes made into suitable size balls and then boiled. Afterwards you could fry them. To me at one time, that was the best food imaginable. Sild-ball got so popular between the two world wars that one of the coastal valleys of Norway was nicknamed "Sild-Ball Valley".

To make a long story even longer, I shall say in conclusion: "We know the saying, 'man shall not live by bread alone', and I take it that 'bread' stands for 'food', and since it is not enough, it must mean that he has to have accordion-music to go with it. We also know that most women enjoy cooking, especially if it is done by the chef at a good restaurant." □

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DANIA DOINGS



By Lili Nielsen

DANIA will be having a WHISTDRIVE on October 12, 1976, at 8:00 p.m. in the Dania Room at the Scandinavian Centre.

Our October dance will be held on Saturday, October 16, 1976, at 7:00 p.m. and this evening will be a BANQUET consisting of "Sild and Smørrebrød" prepared by Lisabeth Nielsen. Limited tickets are available from Vera, Kirsten and Lili at \$8.50 per person for members and \$10.00 per person for non-members. All members must show their membership cards at the door. Last day for tickets will be October 11, 1976.

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IMPORTANT NOTICE

DANIA will be having their ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on October 19, 1976, at 8:00 p.m. in the Dania Room and we would urge all of our members to attend this very important meeting. We shall be electing a PRESIDENT and FOUR BOARD MEMBERS. Please support your Club by attending this meeting. Refreshments will be served after the meeting. □

NEWS FROM ANSGAR

By Pastor Holger N. Madsen

As we slide into October we remind all of our members and friends of Ansgar that the normal and regular schedule of activities is now in full swing again. Therefore we shall be looking forward to seeing YOU again at our Worship Services as well as our fellowship opportunities.

On two Sundays in this month, the 10th and 17th, we shall be celebrating our Annual Harvest Festivals. As one of our means of expressing our thanks to God for another year of continued blessings, we are asking everyone who attends either of these Festival Services to bring along a small gift, in the form of a jar of preserves of one kind or another. These will be placed at the altar, and after the Services they will be taken to the Marian Centre where so many of the hungry of our city are given free meals.

We stress preserves because around this time of the year the Centre is

sometimes overloaded with perishable produce. Whereas at other times of the year we tend to forget those less fortunate than ourselves. Preserves can be used at any time, so let's all be as helpful as possible.

At Ansgar we have embarked on a project which we hope will be of interest to many. The project is called our CONFIRMATION PICTURE GALLERY. What we would like to do is to have a picture (5"x7") of every confirmation class that has been held at Ansgar since the first one in 1930. This will require much help from many people, but we are hopeful that this help will be forthcoming. As we receive the pictures we shall frame them and hang them on the walls in the Church basement.

To date we have promises of pictures from the following years: '37, '52, '61, '67, '69, '72, '73, '74, '75 and '76. It's a good start, but as you can see there are still some gaps to be filled. If you can help—please phone the pastor, 467-3492, before you proceed to get a copy made of your confirmation picture, that way we shall avoid duplications. We await YOUR HELP!

In October and November we shall be asking the friends and members of Ansgar for a SPECIAL FINANCIAL BOOST. Not only are we faced with rising costs in every area of our operations—which reminds us of a little story:

A little old lady, upon leaving the Church one Sunday morning, greeted the pastor saying: "Pastor, it certainly is comforting to know that inflation has not hit the Church." "Oh," replied the pastor, "what makes you say that?" "Well," responded the little lady, "fifteen years ago I used to put a dollar on the offering plate every Sunday, and today I still do the same."

—But we are also faced with the reality that we shall be receiving less and less support from Denmark. Which means, of course, that if we wish to continue, we shall have to provide more and more support locally. And it is not news to any of us that a dollar doesn't go as far—it only goes faster—than it did 15 years ago, and that trend, too, is felt in the Church. Therefore the active participation by every interested person will be greatly appreciated. We are convinced that our FALL DRIVE can and will be a success, if every interested Dane in Edmonton and area, does his/her part. Thank you in advance for caring about Ansgar.

Many of the old-timers of Ansgar will be interested to learn that on the last Sunday of October—the 31st—there will be a SPECIAL EVENING SERVICE at 8 p.m. with

Pastor Overgaard-Thomsen, former pastor at Ansgar, as special guest pastor. The Service will be in DANISH, and there will be NO MORNING SERVICE THAT DAY.

After the Service there will be a fellowship coffee hour, to which each lady is invited to bring a contribution of baking. This will provide an opportunity to greet Pastor Overgaard-Thomsen in an informal way.

For the next several months, Pastor Thomsen, who has recently retired from the active ministry, will be acting as supply pastor to the Danish Church in Calgary until they are able to secure the services of a new full-time pastor.

So spread the word, and plan to be along for this Special Service on October 31.

The members of the Danish Ladies Club are busy preparing for their annual CHRISTMAS BAZAAR, to be held this year on Friday, November 26 at 8 p.m. in the Scandinavian Centre. Due to the popularity of this annual event the Ladies felt it necessary to move their bazaar out of the Church basement and into the more spacious premises of the Scandinavian Centre. (The proceeds of the bazaar are, however, still generously turned over to the Church.) Those who have been at the bazaar the last couple of years will appreciate the necessity for this change of location. Last year there was barely breathing space, let alone seating or standing room.

As in previous years, there will be an Auction Sale of the various Danish meat delicacies that are unavailable anywhere else in town, such as medistepølse, leverpostej, and rullepølse. Then, too, there will be the home baked Danish cookies, buns and rye bread. In addition to these gastronomical treats, there will also be embroidered articles and other Christmas gifts with a distinctively Danish flavor.

American lotteries will be conducted featuring as prizes: a Christmas calendar, a Christmas blanket, an embroidered pillow, and a ship. Great fun, plus grand gifts.

At the beginning of October, tickets will go on sale at 25¢ each, or 5 for \$1.00 (what a bargain) on the 1st prize of a set of binoculars (approximate value \$40), and second prize of a Danish food hamper (approximate value \$25). These tickets will be available from any member of the Danish Ladies Club, or phone Anne-Lise Larsen at 459-7341.

And, of course, at the Bazaar there will be coffee served with Danish pastry, providing everyone with the opportunity for a real good pre-Christmas visit. So if you have never before pampered yourself with this

DANIA NEWSLETTER

DEAR MEMBERS

We hope you have all had a nice holiday and are ready again to participate in Dania's functions. The fall and winter season is starting and we want to inform you of some of the upcoming events — Whistdrives, October Dance, Annual Meeting, etc.

Dania's first Whistdrive of the season is to be held on September 14 at 8:00 p.m. in the Dania Room at the Scandinavian Centre. We hope to see all the usual players for this event, and also wish to extend an invitation to people who have not yet attended one of these evenings to come and participate. Don't forget to start from the beginning as trophies will be awarded at the end of the season to the man and lady with the highest score. Bring your friends for a pleasant evening. Admission \$1.00 per person which includes card playing with coffee and cake being served after the game.

To make sure that you

Danish treat, plan to do so this year. And those who are "regulars" at this event can now bring their friends because now there will be room for everyone—we hope. But don't be late, for once the auctioneer begins at 8 p.m. sharp, things really go fast. Mark it NOW on your calendar, so you don't miss it. FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 26 — 8 p.m. at the SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE. □

receive your Scandinavian Centre News and your Newsletters we hope you will forward your change of address to our Secretary:

Mrs. Lili Nielsen
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Our first big event of the year will be our October Dance being held on Saturday, October 16, 1976, at 7:00 p.m. in the Viking Room of the Scandinavian Centre. As in the past we have only a limited 250 tickets available, so to prevent disappointment you should get yours reserved and picked up. The Menu will be "Sild and Smørrebrød" prepared by Lisbeth Nielsen. Tickets will be sold at \$8.50 per person for members and \$10.00 per person for non-members. Music will be supplied by Al Breault and Co. The Membership draw for this evening will be for \$55.00. Coffee and cake will be sold later in the evening.

As we are continuing to have a different price for members and non-members the Board of Directors have decided that all members must show their membership cards at the door.

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ICELANDIC NEWSLETTER

By Lillian MacPherson

Sorry for the absence of a column last month. The deadline arrived while I was on holidays.

Everything should be getting back into the fall swing, but at this writing the executive of the association has not yet met to outline activities for the year (they will be in two days hence). The phoning committee will contact members about functions which haven't been announced in the paper.

If you wish any information about the Society, call President Sam Thorkelson, 465-3985, or Vice-President Les Greenham, 455-0082.

Information about the SAGA SINGERS, singing arm of the Society, is available from Director Della Roland, 433-3393, or President Doug Chivers, 434-1128. The choir practices Thursday evenings in members' homes or the Centre, and prospective members are welcome to enquire (and join).

Ritsafn, the Society's book club, is operating from the home of Al and Martha Arnason. Members are welcome to borrow these books on the first and third Monday evenings of each month. Arnason's address is 14434 McQueen Road, phone 455-7946. A listing of the books, translations of Icelandic works into English and works by Canadians of Icelandic origin, is available from Gunnar Thorvaldson or the Arnasons.

I received news items from Mike Johnson and Freda Smith in time for last month's paper, but wasn't home to receive them, for which I apologize. Thanks very much to both Mike and Freda for their contributions.

FROM MIKE

He holidayed in Vancouver in August, visiting with friends and relatives, all of whom at that time were happily enjoying bright, sunny weather.

He also reported that Mrs. Olive Johnson of St. Albert was in Prince Albert, Sask., where she took part in qualifying rounds for the Canadian Senior Ladies' Amateur Golf championships, which were to take place late in August in St. John, New Brunswick.

FROM FREDA

It is a real delight to see and hear the Lions Club Senior Citizens' Chorus put on an excellent show in Meadowlark Shopping Centre, just one of many appearances, during Klondike Days. A mixed group of over 20 members sang many of the old songs and kept the large audience singing with them. A sprightly "young" (over 80 years of age) tenor soloist was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The beautiful costumes added to the perfection of the performance and showed many hours of planning and sewing.

In the second row and looking charming in her lovely green gown with perky hat to match was our own Illa Henrickson.

If you have an opportunity to go and see this group, don't miss it. They are very good.

Also from Freda, a letter from Henry and Lil Sumarlidason of White Rock, B.C.: "Girls" of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Icelandic Society:

The thrilling excitement of the past two weeks is over and a lull in our golden wedding celebrations is on, so I can find time to write you to tell you how much the flowers and card meant to us. Your kind and thoughtful gift and card became very precious as I explained to guests our many gifts, and how it revived so many pleasant memories of our years in Edmonton. So, our warmest thanks to you all for remembering after 5 years of absence. In our guest book are forty names of friends who have shared food in our house since June 30, so you will understand why the delay in writing you of our joy in receiving such friendly greetings from you all.

Now I must write to so many good people whose friendship lifted us up onto cloud nine—I'm still somewhat giddy, so may I ask your kindness in telling any and all members of the Icelandic Society and the Saga Singers how we appreciated their greetings.

Once more, our loving thanks to all of you who are so fortunate to live in Alberta's beautiful Edmonton.

Henry and Lil Sumarlidason and news from Thorey and Les Greenham, who became proud grandparents when Thorey's daughter, Karen Jonah, gave birth to baby daughter Kristine Allison on the 17th of August. Kristine was 6 lbs. 4 oz., and was born in the Ft. McMurray Hospital. Ken and Karen are happy parents. Les and Thorey went to Ft. McMurray for a week after mother and daughter arrived home from hospital. The Jonahs will be moving back to Edmonton in late September, as Ken has been transferred by G.C.O.S.

There were a lot of travellers amongst the members of the Society this summer, but I'm sure we're all interested to hear the experiences of those who were Iceland-bound. Amongst those who visited the old country this summer are Steini and Clara Jonsson, Ron and Marilyn Bell, Ninna Campbell, Al and Martha Arnason, and Arne MacPherson. It would be good to hear of their

VOLCANO - Ordeal by fire in Iceland's Westmann Islands

(It is with extreme pleasure that the Scandinavia Centre News is able to reproduce this excellent book, "VOLCANO — Ordeal By Fire In Iceland's Westmann Islands". Permission has been granted by the author, Arni Gunnarsson, Translation by May and Hallberg Hallmundsson, and the publishers, ICELAND REVIEW, Reykjavik, Iceland. We wish to thank them for this privilege and sincerely hope that you enjoy this story about the volcano in Iceland as much as we did. — Editor)

TOIL AND PROSPERITY

PART I

SURTSEY — THE OMEN AND THE LESSON

Off the southern coast of Iceland lies a cluster of islands by the name of Westmann Islands or Vestmannaeyjar (eyjar — islands), as they will henceforth be called. One of the country's best-known poets

has described these islands as sapphires set in a silver ring, and there is no doubt that here, in a relatively small area, may be found natural beauty that will not be surpassed elsewhere in Iceland. Majestic landscape, striking colours, and varied bird life all contribute to the splendour.

The group consists of 15 islands, besides which there are some 55 to 60 known submarine craters. It lies at the southern end of the so-called eastern volcanic zone, which crosses Iceland from Melrakkaslétta in the north, through Mývatn, Askja, and Grímsvötn all the way south to Vestmannaeyjar, where it terminates. The western volcanic zone running through Reykjanes, on the other hand, joins the Mid-Atlantic Ridge, which stretches south the entire length of the Atlantic.

On November 14, 1963, a submarine eruption began

Since then, this island has been a most remarkable research station, where scientists from many parts of the world have come to witness how life takes hold on a new piece of land. They have studied bird life, primal vegetation, algae in the surrounding waters, insect life, and other subjects, thereby gaining answers to some questions that were hitherto unsettled. Surtsey is the southernmost member of Vestmannaeyjar, and the eruption there provided first-hand knowledge of how the other islands in the group, including Heimaey, were formed. It is considered certain that most of them were created by submarine eruptions after the end of the last ice age, some 10,000-15,000 years ago.

While the sea had access to the volcanic vent of Surtsey, the eruption there was a so-called pyroclastic one, in which the ejected materials were pumice and ash.

But when the island had grown large enough to keep the sea away from the crater, lava began to flow. In time, the pumice and ash usually become solid rock, called tuff (móberg), but before that could happen on Surtsey the sea broke down a large part of it. The same holds true for the formation of all the other islands. When lava begins to flow, however, it provides a new-born island with effective protection against the destructive force of the sea.

Most of the islands in the Vestmanna group are made of tuff, which has been shaped into perpendicular cliffs. Only on Heimaey, Ellidaey, and Bjarnarey was there a



The town of Vestmannaeyjar, the harbour and the fish processing plants around it. In the upper right corner is Helgafell Mountain, a volcano which formed the island of Heimaey some 5,000-7,000 years ago on which Vestmannaeyjar is situated. The town is partly built on lava from that eruption. At the foot of Helgafell, to the left, is seen the new volcanic activity which flowed lava over the town towards the harbour.

experiences. I talked to Steini and know he caught some fish there, practiced his Icelandic a lot, and had a marvellous time. Arne, after 6 weeks in a home where no English was spoken, came back to Edmonton speaking Icelandic having known none when he left. He had an exciting trip on a boat in a storm in the North Atlantic, fished off the coast at Isafjordur, picked "Blueberries" and "Cranky berries" in Eskifjordur on the east coast, and swam and shopped and visited in Reykjavik. When asked if he'd go back, he said, "When can I?" Perhaps in future papers, the travellers can tell of their experiences.

This is the last column I'll be writing, but I don't know who my replacement is. Send news to me for next month, and I'll forward it to the appropriate person. □

a short distance off the main cluster, southwest of an islet named Geirfuglasker. Residents of Heimaey, the largest of the islands and the only inhabited one, were able to follow closely the course of this eruption. It started at a depth of 130 metres, and during the first four months some 400 million cubic metres—about 40 cubic metres per second—of volcanic materials were discharged. At first, the sea broke down the new land as soon as it emerged above the surface. Two islands formed by the eruption vanished that way, and for a long time it was believed that the sea would finally triumph. One island, however, did endure — Surtsey. Here, a lava flow began in April, 1964, securing the island's future; the sea could not do away with the lava. Out of the ocean rose a virgin land, untouched but ready to receive whatever life might be carried there.

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VASA LODGE SKANDIA



By Gertie Holmgren

Skandia's regular September meeting was held in the clubhouse at Vasa Park with Lennart Petersson in the chair.

Those who are still on the sick list are Linnea Christensen and Alma Samuelsson.

The charter was draped in memory of Ella Peterson who died on September 1, 1976. She was born in Versjo, Sweden on Nov. 28, 1895, and joined Skandia Lodge in April 1943. Her husband, Hans, and three sons predeceased her. She is survived by one son, Karl, and a daughter, Eleanor Hoover, of Edmonton. Our deepest sympathy is extended to them.

There is to be a donation of \$100.00 to the Scandinavian Centre News.

A forty-year pin was presented to Knut Engstrom, and twenty-five-year pins were presented to Erland Markstrom and Hilding Wiberg.

Young Lodge members interested in becoming members of the Sports Committee for 1977 at Vasa Club, Pigeon Lake, please contact Doreen Nyroos at 469-8286.

Before the meeting, there was a scrumptious Potluck Supper hosted by Grace Maxwell and the Maxwell House, and after the meeting they hosted a card party.

The next Ladies Auxiliary meeting will be at the home of Gust and Helga Johnson on Friday, October 22 at 8 p.m. The address is 11145 - 57 St. The smorgasbord will be discussed, so please try to make it a large meeting. Thank you.

TRAVELLERS

Tom and Dianne Pearson are learning the art of camping and have spent a couple of weekends camping with the Fawcetts. The four of them spent a weekend camping at Beaver Lake. They visited Milton's brother, Russell Fawcett, at Lac La Biche and also Larry and Elsie Comin at Skeleton Lake. Elsie's brothers, Charlie and Arne Rautio, and Alvin Pearson and the their families were also there and they had a really great time visiting with old friends.

A few weeks later the Persons and the Fawcetts, with their families, went camping at Cadomin. This time the weather was disappointing as it drizzled most of the time and it was rather cold.

The Glen Eliasson family (all five of them) spent five weeks in B.C. and the U.S. during summer vacation.

Winnie Pearson and Ivis-

ited friends at Grande Prairie and had the opportunity to go through the college there.

George and Millie Brown from Kamloops, B.C., were guests at the Ken McEvoy home recently.

Magnus Pearson's sister, Helen Riley, and her daughter, Marion Watt, from Kamloops have been visitors at the home of Magnus and Betty Pearson.

And would you believe, there was a couple who travelled to the coal branch and had to spend the night parked in the middle of the road as their vehicle was stuck in the mud on one of the forestry roads. And they're old married folks, too.

AT VASA PARK

On August 28 a wine and cheese party was held in the clubhouse to inform our members and friends of what a smorgasbord involves. Erling Winqvist gave a report on smorgasbords since we started holding them way back about 1954. Lunch was served and Mr. Jewel from Red Deer gave a talk on "The Heritage Park" that they are hoping to construct in that city. A film was shown as Mr. Jewel explained how a large three-story house was moved. It was the house which had been built by a Mr. Kronquist back about 1911 or 1912. The house was donated to the Heritage Association but they would have to have it moved within a month. The bricks and plaster were removed and the house was moved down one river bank and across the Red Deer River and up the other bank. It was most interesting.

SPORTS

Bowling started on September 8 at Park Plaza Bowling Lanes. If you're interested in bowling, phone Jenny Dahlseide for information at 489-6259.

Curling will start on October 22 at the Sportex. If you're interested in curling, please phone Gertrude Holmgren at 973-3111. We may need more curlers, either regulars or spares.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

A wine and cheese-tasting party will follow the meeting on October 2 hosted by the McAuley's. Be prepared to dance. Everyone welcome.

A Children's Club will start soon. For more information, please contact Doreen Nyroos at 469-8286, or Gertrude Holmgren at 973-3111.

On Nov. 6 we are holding our Annual Smorgasbord.

BETTER EDUCATION FOR LAPPS



Lapland is Sweden's big reservoir of natural resources and the country of the Lapps and the Midnight Sun. A large proportion of the Lapps still follow their herds of reindeer on annual migrations to the mountains in the spring and back to the lowlands in the fall. (Photo from Swedish National Tourist Office, 505 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10017, U.S.A.)

Books & Articles

RESEARCH IN NORWAY.

A collection of articles from the 1975 issues of the Norwegian journal *Forskningssnytt* (Research News) translated into English has been published by the Foreign Ministry in co-operation with Norwegian research agencies. Titled "Research in Norway 1975" the publication includes the following articles:

"Society's Need For Research And How To Meet It" — Erling Fjellbirkeland.

"Varanger—A Melting Pot Of Cultures" — Håvard Brautrein.

"Petroleum, Fisheries And Research" — Grim Berge.

"Plants And Local Traditions" — Ove Arboe Høeg.

"Migration In Norway—Who Moves And Why" — Lars Østby.

"Immunology Of Rheumatic Diseases" — Jacob B. Natvig and Erik Kåss.

"EISCAT—An International Project In The Polar Region" — Tor Hagfors.

"Norwegian Research: Towards A Permanently Tight Job Market?" — Hans Skoie.

A limited number of copies of "Research In Norway 1975" are available

We could probably use some help. How about some of you younger ones? If you would like to help, phone me at 973-3111.

Leslie Watson is our Scandinavian Centre Queen candidate. Good luck, Leslie.

During the past decade, educational opportunities for Norway's Lapp population have been much improved. When Lapp language instruction was introduced in the elementary schools in Lapp regions in 1967, it meant that the children could follow classes much more easily than before, when all classes were taught in the Norwegian language. Today, all Lapp-speaking children are taught in their own language during the first two years of elementary school, while in third grade they are

from the Norwegian Information Service in the United States on a first come, first served basis. Also, some copies of the 1973 and 1974 issues are available. Write: Norwegian Information Service, 3401 Massachusetts Ave., Washington, D.C. 20007 U.S.A.

gradually introduced to Norwegian. From fourth grade on, all classes are in the Norwegian language.

At Karasjok in Finnmark is Den Samiske Folkehøgskole, a folk high school with courses aimed especially at Lapps, but with others attending as well. There are currently about 40 students taking subjects such as Lapp language, history and handicrafts (working in bone, antlers and other materials), as well as photography, film and journalism.

Karasjok also has a gymnas (secondary school) for Lapps, with some 100 students majoring in either language/humanities or mathematics/sciences.

They may now take the Lapp language as their secondary language with Norwegian as the main language. The school's administration hopes that the two languages may change places in the near future, making it possible to teach the maximum number of hours in the Lapp language.

There is also a vocational /arts and crafts school for Lapps in Kautokeino, another Finnmark town with ancient Lapp traditions. A school offering courses in reindeer husbandry is located near Harstad. Lapps may also study their native language at the Teachers College in Tromsø.

In addition to the vocational school in Kautokeino, there are three other vocational schools in Finnmark. In the present situation there is no need for additional vocational schools or gymnas in the county. Most of the 20,000 Norwegian Lapps live in Finnmark. In Karasjok and Kautokeino, Lapps represent 80% of the population. □

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PART XVI TOURISM

Tourism to Finland is growing rapidly. In 1961, the number of visitors to Finland totaled 500,000. By 1970, the number of foreign visitors tripled to a total of 1,500,000 persons.

REASONS FOR TOURISM'S GROWTH

One of the reasons for this growth is the fact that sea and air connections between Finland and the rest of the world have markedly improved during the past years. The Finnish airline, Finnair maintains a daily, direct connection between New York and Helsinki. From Sweden, Denmark and Germany tourists often prefer to go to Finland by ship.

In addition, Finnair has created a domestic routes network to such a point that the airline's route pattern is one of the densest in the world. For \$109 Finnair sells the traveler a ticket entitling him to a limitless number of flying hours in Finland within a 15-day span. Children under 12, traveling with parents, pay only \$54.00; those under 4 travel free.

Another reason for tourism's growth in Finland is that, in 1960, the first of 15 car ferry runs was inaugurated, connecting with according to the particular route, Sweden, West Germany and Denmark. This is in addition to 7 regular passenger ships operating between Sweden and Finland.

SCENERY A MAGNET

But mere accessibility hardly explains the increased flow of visitors to Finland. Such assets as Finland's scenic beauty is one factor that is bringing in visitors in ever increasing numbers.

Much of Finland's physical beauty is accounted for by its more than 60,000 lakes abounding with game fish, and offering the visitor all sorts of sports: fishing, sailing, swimming, water skiing . . . The 200,000 islands that dot those lakes provide idyllic camping grounds where one can "get away from it all".

A network of safe, modern roads is another reason more and more tourists are "finding" Finland.

Finnish highways are under the control of the Finnish Road Authority. In 1950, the Authority controlled 20,000 miles of such roads. By 1967, the road mileage had been increased by 25%, or to 25,000 miles, indicative of the fine condition of Finnish highways is that during the last 10 year period 11,000 of the 25,000 miles were either new or rebuilt.

By 1974, there were 27,000 miles of paved, modern highways in Finland. In fact, the roads are so

good that many foreign visitors come to Finland via their own car.

FACILITIES IMPROVING YEARLY

Sensitive to the comforts of the foreign visitor, Finland has increasingly readied herself to meet this growing tourist influx. Helsinki's famous Marski hotel has added 2 more floors—almost 60 more rooms. The Vaakuna, another fine Finnish hotel, has added 94 new rooms. And the Academica, a summer hotel, has been completely rebuilt with 111 new rooms.

New hotels, for example Intercontinental and Hesperia have recently added nearly 1,000 beds to the hotel capacity of Helsinki and still more are under construction.

Mindful of the popularity of tourist travel by motor car, some 30 motels have been built in the last 5 years. As for rates, motel rooms go for \$10.00 a day, single, to \$12-\$15 a day, double.

As far as other tourist accommodations in the countryside are concerned, Finland offers the visitor a choice of Holiday Village cottages, as they are called. Built in groupings of 20-30 these cottages range from the deluxe to the modest. Rates start at \$75 a week for a 4-room cottage: 2 bedrooms, living room and kitchenette. All are furnished. Plumbing is of the latest.

There are 30-40 such Holiday Villages today. All are built alongside lakes and provide beautiful scenic views. Most of these villages have been financed by the Tourism Development Fund, Ltd., established by the Finnish government in 1964 to attract foreign travelers.

LOCK, CANAL SYSTEM RESTORED

One of Finland's newest "drawing cards" is the recently rebuilt and reopened Saimaa Canal, which runs for 35 miles through beautiful landscape and connects the Gulf of Finland (an arm of the Baltic Sea) to the innumerable lakes of the country's central part.

The canal is capable of handling freighters up to 1,600 tons. Passage has been reduced from 24 to 8 hours, thanks to 8 modern locks replacing the old canal's 28 locks. Part of the canal is in Soviet territory, but all of it was rebuilt by Finland.

SHOPPING A DELIGHT

The phenomenal boom in Canada and elsewhere of Finnish fashions, home furnishings, textiles and jewelry have made names like Marimekko and Arabia, to cite some examples, world famous.

In the past five or six years, Finland has, in fact, become a favorite shopping place mainly for the nearby Swedes, but also for other tourists. They are tempted by the competitive prices, in addition to the design

SONS OF NORWAY ELECTS TRYGVE SOYLAND OF CALIFORNIA PRESIDENT AT INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Mr. Trygve Soyland, 50, of Glendora, California, was elected new President of SONS OF NORWAY at the recent 44th Biennial Supreme Lodge Convention held at Arrowwood, Alexandria, Minnesota. He succeeds Mr. Roy C. Eide of Minneapolis, Minnesota, who has served in that position for four years.

The Convention, representing more than 100,000 members of the world's largest organization of North Americans of Norse birth, descent or affiliation, also elected O. Marshall Moy, Missoula, Montana, Vice-President; Harry Ludwigsen, Ketchikan, Alaska, Secretary; and Frank C. Monnick, Staten Island, New York, Treasurer. Directors elected were: E. M. Bakke, Poulsbo, Washington; James Crangle, Piedmont, California; Trygve Duoos, Astoria, Oregon; Olav J. Eide, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Jan Henriksen, Andover, New Jersey; Chris Johansen, Chicago, Illinois; J. Edward Ness, Calgary, Alberta; Paul Nycklemoe, Fergus Falls, Minnesota; Otto Reinertsen, Canoga Park, California; Tormod Rekdal, Vancouver, British Columbia; Glen Ruona, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Carl Skurdal, Williston, North Dakota; and Edmund J. Trablusky, Brooklyn, New York.

The 1978 Convention will be held in Fargo, North Dakota, while California will host the 1980 Convention.

Greetings to the Arrowwood, which was hosted by the Sons of Norway Oslo 2 Lodge of Minneapolis, came from H. M. King Olav V of Norway, U.S. Senator Walter F. Mondale, and the National Fraternal Congress of America, of which the Minneapolis-based Order is a member. Among main speakers at the Convention was U.S. Senator Hubert Humphrey. Minnesota Senators Mondale and Humphrey were special guests at the Norwegian Emigration Sesquicentennial festivities in Norway last year.

President Soyland, who now heads the 81-year-old fraternal benefit Society, is a native of Chicago, Illinois. His parents came from Stavanger, Norway. During World War II he was a U.S. Navy pilot. After moving to California he and his father formed a partnership in general contracting. Soyland and his wife, Jeanne, a native of Boston, Massachusetts, have five children and three grandchildren.

At Sons of Norway's and quality of Finnish products. □

seven Biennial District Conventions this year the following have been elected as District Presidents: Orville Prestholdt, Minneapolis, Minnesota; Bjorn Heglie, Oregon City, Oregon; Bjarne Eikevik, Ft. Lauderdale, Florida; Roy Swanberg, Calgary, Alberta; Richard Haugsness, Wilmette, Illinois; Jon Arild, Fairfax, California; and Jack Lysne, Victoria, B.C. □

SECOND ALBERTA SHOWCASE TO BE HELD IN CALGARY

The Hon. Horst A. Schmid, Minister of Culture, announced recently a second "Alberta Showcase", an opportunity for Alberta performing artists to display their talents before television cameras, representatives of the media and potential tour sponsors.

Following the success of "Alberta Showcase" in Edmonton during June, this second Showcase will be staged at Calgary's Pleiades Theatre in the Planetarium, Thursday, October 28 to Sunday, October 31. The

event is arranged by Alberta Culture's Performing Arts Touring Office in an effort to bring together performers, sponsors and Alberta media, and is open to all professional union members and those amateurs who have demonstrated public performance capability over a period of time. The Calgary Showcase is co-sponsored by Alberta Culture and the Pleiades Theatre.

CBC producers will be in attendance looking for artists in the areas of music, theatre, dance, comedy and variety acts, in group or individual performances, to appear in "On Stage", a series of television variety programs to be broadcast this fall and winter. Other television and radio producers are invited to attend the Showcase in connection with their own program planning.

Alberta Culture emphasizes that artists must limit their performance to a maximum of ten minutes and must provide their own props, instruments and accompanists. The deadline

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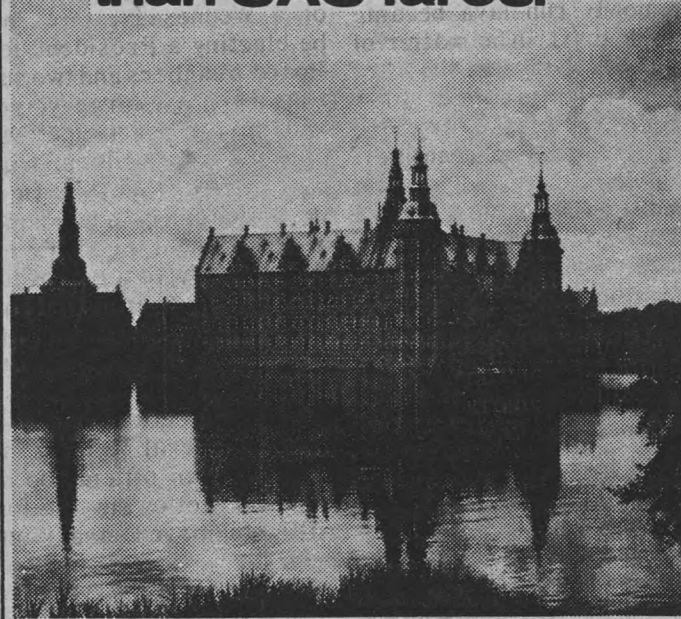
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Ask for "Alberta Showcase" application forms by calling Alberta Culture in Calgary between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., weekdays at 261-6341 or write Alberta Culture, Room 100, Richfield Building, 140 First Avenue S.W., Calgary, T2P 0A5. □

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flow of lava. Heimaey is actually formed by the union, during eruptions, of two or more islands. A volcanic outburst of Helgafell on Heimaey some 5,000-6,000 years ago thus joined together two islets and at the same time fashioned the elegant cone of the volcano. Helgafell is one of the main features of the islands, and the town on Heimaey is built upon lava from the mountain. The islands of Ellidaey and Bjarnarey were created in a similar way at the same approximate time.

There are certainly not many places in the world where the inhabitants have been able to observe as closely as have the people of Vestmannaeyjar how their land was originally created. For nearly four years they could follow the course of the Surtsey eruption, watching how the island grew from day to day and, later, how life developed; such wonders do not happen frequently. They also witnessed how the awesome power of the sea transformed new land into old in a short time, how the newly run lava became an old coast in a matter of days, and how the shape of the island was constantly changing. In the evening, when darkness began to fall, the fire in the vents became visible, as did the bolts of lightning in the cloud of smoke and vapour rising from the craters, and the glow from the streaming lava. Many made the trip out to the new island to walk about the land where, before, there had been fishing banks. The eruption became part of people's daily life; all they had to do was look out of their windows on Heimaey, and they would know how it was coming along. Finally, they even ceased to notice it.

To some, however, the quiet thought occurred that all this could just as well have happened on Heimaey, in the handsome little town standing on the lava from a volcano active 5,000-6,000 years ago. In Iceland, one of the most volcanic spots in the world, many people think that way. But no one will resign himself to the idea that his home may become the site of such a fiery outburst. At least,

no one cares to pursue the thought to its conclusion. □
(TO BE CONTINUED)

(The book, "VOLCANO—Ordeal By Fire In Iceland's Westmann Islands", and other books on Iceland in the English language are obtainable from ICELAND REVIEW, Stogardir 27, P.O. Box 93, Reykjavik, Iceland.)

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tickets by mail you can forward your request with your cheque to the Secretary stating how many tickets you require and how many of the people attending are members. The tickets will be mailed to you as soon as your request and cheque is received.

The following words are from our Treasurer:

Inflation has been with us for some time now and we all know that the cost of living is high. By now, most of us have adjusted our minds and our pocket books to the ever increasing costs.

Dania's social functions have been very reasonable and will continue to be in the forthcoming year. But even a non-profit social club must keep balanced books, therefore, a modest increase will be made for banquet dances. Nevertheless, it will still be a small cost for an enjoyable evening with good Danish food and dancing.

Our most important event of the year, "THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING", is to be held on October 19, 1976, at 8:00 p.m. in the Scandinavian Centre. Please note that this year it is being held on a Tuesday instead of a Wednesday. We shall be electing a President, four Board Members and two substitutes. We urge you all to come and participate and give us your opinion of the past year. This night is the most important of them all as, without a good Board, you won't have a good Club. Only members in good standing will be eligible to vote. Refreshments will be served after the meeting.

In connection with the Annual General Meeting this will be your official notice that the following Motions will be moved and voted upon:

MOTION #1

That, the President will be elected by the Danish Society's Directors no later than one week from the Annual Meeting.

MOTION #2

That, the President's office can only be held by the same person for two (2) one year periods. At least one (1) year has to elapse before the same person can be elected as President again.

If the foregoing Motions are accepted they will form part of our Constitution.

In connection with the

Annual General Meeting we bring you these words from our Social Director:

REMEMBER THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
OCTOBER 19, 1976

Almost one year has passed and it is time for you and me to evaluate the activities of your Club.

Some people seem to have the "nack" of criticizing all the time at all costs without considering the "welfare" of our Club, they are only thinking of themselves.

Yes, we all have the right to say what we like, but this should be done in a reasonable manner so we shall be building, not tearing down. Your Directors have been trying to plan and promote the functions so most of the members would be happy. The turn-out to our functions has proved we have been right in some of the things that have been done.

How about a nice change at our Annual Meeting. Let us hear from the three (other) wheels that are running smooth instead of listening to the wheel that has been squeaking for a long time. Maybe it is time to throw this squeaking wheel away and get a new one. I am sure your Board of Directors have no objection to using a lot of oil to get the old wheel going again but there is a limit to the amount of oil that should be used for just one wheel.

It is the hope of your Board of Directors that you take up the challenge at the Annual Meeting to say how you feel. If it is good we like to hear it, if it is not so good, maybe we can correct it, but let us talk about it as adults with good sense.

QUEEN CONTEST — SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE

Again the Danish Society is looking for a Danish girl or a girl of Danish descent to represent Dania in the Annual Scandinavian Centre Queen Contest. The girl chosen will be representing the Scandinavian Centre for one year. The girl must be between 18 and 25 years of age and single.

Anyone interested in this, please feel free to call Mrs. Lili Nielsen at 435-5655 after 5:30 p.m.

There will be a preliminary contest on Wednesday, September 29, 1976, at 8:00 p.m. at the Scandinavian Centre. The final judging will be held on October 9, 1976. Anyone interested could also call Karin Jackson at 478-8394 as Karin is the Scandinavian Centre Cultural Director and will have answers to most of your questions. □

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humming with activity at all times. The Handicrafts instructress was Mrs. Astrid Hope, with Mrs. Anne Heggen and Mrs. Lil Hoveland assisting. This year must have had the most



Staff personnel. Front row: Anne Heggen, Astrid Hope, Lil Hoveland, Hulda Erickson and Alice Larson. Middle row: Helen Lien, Beatrice Huser, Avis Vigen and Mae Overn. Back row: Milford Erickson, Harry Huser and grandson, Lee Overn and Alvin Vigen.

enthusiastic children of any year. They were just so busy at their projects. Surely they kept their instructress working overtime in assisting and preparing more projects. Most of their projects were completed by Saturday.

The Juniors had sessions of making "Naletroll" (Pinecone Trolls) "veveri", first of paper, then with mesh curtains, "Kasperdokter" ("funky" rag dolls) were dressed into interesting, varying personalities like "Princess Margareta", "Amanda" grandmother with her white hair in bun, dark rimmed glasses doing her knitting (needles, a pair of 2 1/2" finishing nails), "Slabbe Lars" who really looked his name with patches over his clothes, untidy hair, and not to forget "Miranda", a darky who got lost!?!; rock painting and stone-

made animals like ladybugs, reindeer, trolls, etc.; posters with mountain scenes, ship at shore and other scenes mostly pertaining to Norway, out of scrap materials and felt. At the last craft session, flowers of colored plastic egg cartons were made to decorate the tables for the final night.

The Senior class had crafts like "Diamontsom" (Double cross stitch), "veveri" by using a Y twig of their choice from the woods. Each created their own, showing individuality by using cones, reeds, twigs, colored wools of their choice. They had fundressing "Epplegubben" Applehead Trolls with one eye, hair and jute skirt; "Hardanger broderi" on the aprons for the "Bunad Dokter" (costume dolls)

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Honey will crystallize with time or if too cold. To bring crystallized honey back to liquid form, place container in pan of hot (not boiling) water.

When making pickles, do not use iodized salt if possible as it may darken the pickles, such as onions. Use non-iodized, coarse salt.

Unlike other protein foods, fish is better cooked at a high temperature for a very short time. Overcooking toughens fish.

GOLDEN BATH OIL

Put in blender:

1 pint safflower oil
2 tablespoons liquid coconut oil or shampoo
Few drops perfume

Blend for 30 seconds at high speed. Use one or two tablespoons to a tub of water.

PUMPKIN PIE

This is not baked in the shell. You will never have a soggy-bottomed pumpkin pie with this recipe.

1 (28 oz.) tin pumpkin
1 cup brown sugar
1 teaspoon ginger
1 teaspoon cinnamon
1/2 teaspoon nutmeg
Pinch of mace
1/2 teaspoon salt
2 rounded tablespoons flour
3 eggs
2 cups milk
1 teaspoon melted butter

In a double boiler put all ingredients except the eggs and milk. Mix well. Beat eggs slightly in a bowl and stir in milk. Add the egg mixture to the other and cook over boiling water until thickened. Cool. Place in fridge until needed, then pour in baked pie shells and top with sweetened whipped cream.

SUPER PEACH PIE

Now is a good time to make this fabulous pie while peaches are still in season.

5 large peaches
1 cup sugar
3 tablespoons cornstarch
1/2 cup water
1/2 teaspoon almond flavoring
2 tablespoons butter
Whipping cream

Mash 2 peaches, add sugar, cornstarch and water. Cook for 5 minutes until it boils. Add almond flavoring and butter; cook until no starch flavor remains. Slice 3 peaches into a baked pie shell. Pour cooked mixture over these. Chill. Top with whipped cream.

SCANDINAVIAN RECIPE SMORGASBORD SALAD

A good change from the popular green salad, this one combines with any cold meat or fish. Double it if you wish.

2 red apples
Lemon juice
1 medium cabbage, finely shredded
1 cup coarsely chopped spinach
2 carrots, grated
1/2 cup seedless raisins
1 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup mayonnaise
4 radishes, grated (optional)

Core and dice the apples, then sprinkle them with a bit of lemon juice so they won't darken. Combine with next 5 ingredients, cover and chill until ready to serve. Toss with mayonnaise and sprinkle with radishes. Serves 8.

□

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which were beautifully made in advance of the camp by Anne Heggen.

The children learnt different proverbs in Norwegian at the same time they were putting it on decoupage, on thin slabs of log especially cut by Harry and added their own decorative edgings.

Lastly, Adults (Group III) took instruction in Ankle and Hardanger.

Time was allowed on one of the first days to go for a Nature walk with Mrs. Beatrice Huser as guide who was very knowledgeable of the different plants on their route. Each one collected and pressed their own and on the final day these were arranged attractively with their corresponding names, bound by a twig frame. Norwegians are never far from nature, so this adventure proved to be another pleasant

aspect of our Nordic heritage.

The kitchen proved to be a very popular department with Mrs. Avis Vigen and Mrs. Alice Larson instructing Norwegian Baking. "Lefse" sessions took priority though, according to the amount of batches made (something like 14). Next came flat-brød, krumkaker, rosettes, sandkaker, doughnuts, "smaakaker", and the rye bread—extra special. The children were given an opportunity to actually turn out these specialties. Maybe here is a good time to compliment our camp cook, Maureen, for the appetizing, good variety of menus of next-to-homecooked meals, and who also became really like one of us. We even had one meal smorgasbord style. Thanks, Maureen.

Though we didn't have a special instructor for folk-dancing this year, our camp did not suffer for lack of instruction. Darren Vigen (4th year) capably pitched in and the children danced and had fun, and did well by just repeating the dances taught last year. (See "program" for names of dances in latter part of article.) It was raining all day Thursday so the time was most advantageously taken up by more dancing and singing.

Mrs. Astrid Hope was chosen to be camp nurse this year. The most that happened was the unwelcome intrusion of bees during the Nature walk from which a lad obtained three bites. He was attended to at the special first aid centre which seemed quite well equipped to meet an emergency. A couple of minor bruises were also attended to.

Extra camp duties were scheduled for all, for each day. There were groups for dishwashing, cleaning washrooms, vacuuming, cleaning up the sauna, etc., etc. Everyone was responsible for overall camp litter, etc. We had excellent camp supervision, meals in an orderly fashion, first beginning with the singing of our Norwegian grace, "I Jesu navn", pep talks given as needed and, yes, were heeded! Duties were given to the adults to supervise different areas of the camp at different times, including curfew. The majestic bell was in frequent use, usually rung by Alvin Vigen who was right there for camp management for promptness of classes and other camp proceedings.

This year, we were very fortunate to have an instructor in Rosemaling, full time. He was Mr. Harry Huser who patiently revealed tips on those fanciful strokes. Many, many platters were turned out and, towards the end of the week, were even producing work on items like breadboards and sausage boards. The adult class was especially interested. Also, as an extra,



Craft shop.

for boys who weren't so handicraft orientated, Harry supervised the building of a miniature log cabin which was also furnished with bed, table and stool of suitable logs. The handicraft section completed it with a fur bedthrow bear rug in front of the open fireplace. A miniature "klobestol", a couple of "fat" (bowls) were also carved for the cabin. On the side, Harry was producing bone-carved pendants which were most artfully done.

Camp wasn't all work and no play. There was plenty of free time after 3:30 p.m. for swimming,

boating and hikes, or do whatever you preferred—even golf. Many were energetic and kept on doing their crafts. A lifeguard was in attendance always when the children were in the water. One evening we were favoured by the showing of slides of last year's camp and also of Norway. Every evening the sauna was prepared and seemed most popular. Some grown-ups took refuge there for a quiet time before retiring. Sauna baths are very popular too in the Scandinavian countries and so re-

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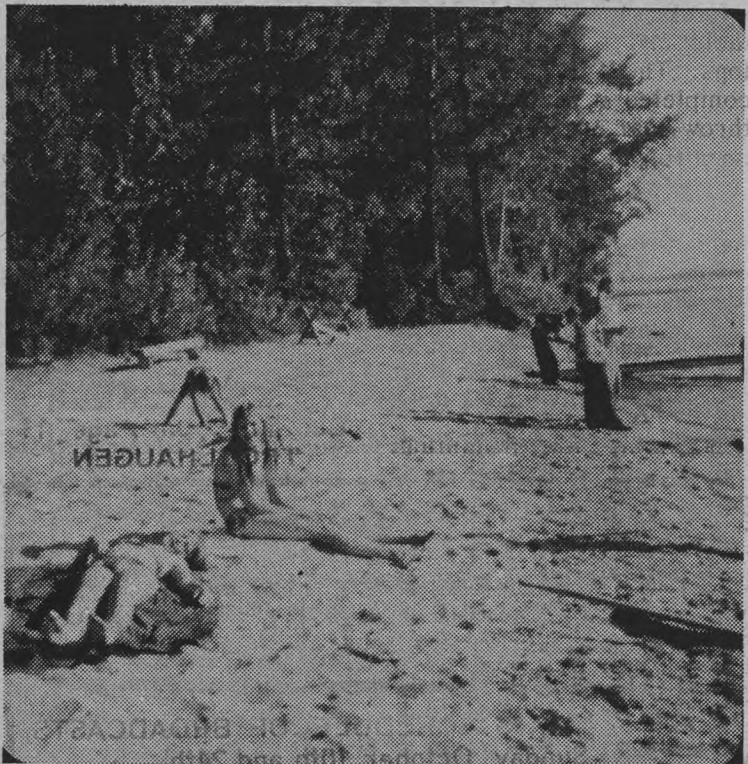
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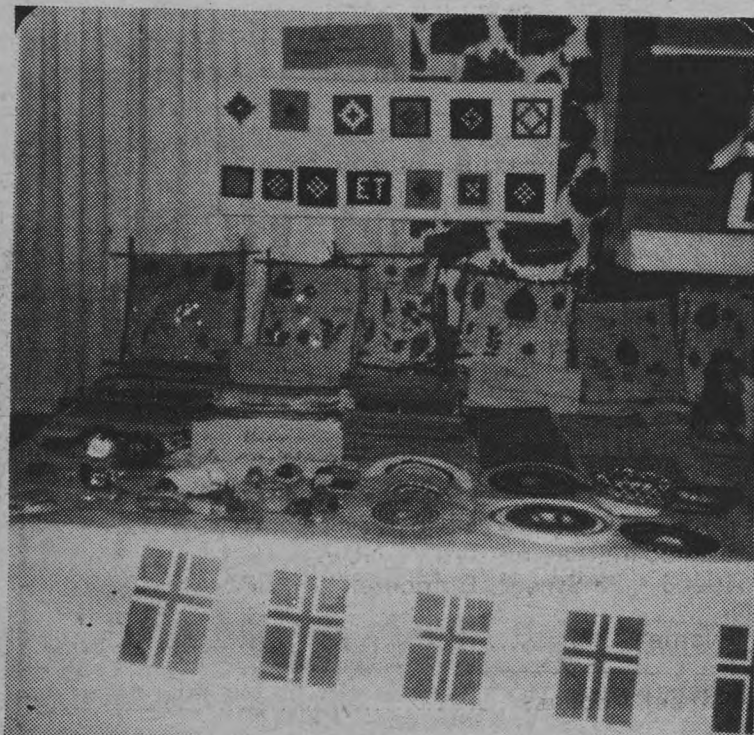
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Cook-out with hamburgers and Maureen McCarger.



Relaxing in the sun on a sandy beach.



Craft display.

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lates much to our mode of living here. One fine, sunny noon we were treated to a cookout by the beach. It kept Maureen busy keeping the supply equal to the demand. Everybody seemed so hungry! We had

hamburgers with all the trimmings—salad makings, topped with melting watermelon and Kool-aid.

Towards the last days, plans were being made for the final evening when a program, Norwegian orientated, was going to be offered, for interested parents and friends. Mrs.

Beatrice Huser and Mrs. Hulda Erickson were the coordinators, directors, stage managers for the skits, along with help from many others for the back drops, etc., etc. There were several rehearsals before the big performance.

Saturday afternoon came and all was in readiness for the display of all the handicrafts. There was a colorful table of ALL the handicrafts ventured, mostly complete, according to groups. The adults also had a display of Akle and Hardanger. On another wall was the fine display of rose-maling and twig "veveri". This year, "Trollskogen" (Troll forest) was prepared for the quaint display of "Naletroll" (pine cone trolls) of group I. At the foot of the mountain was displayed the log cabin complete with a moss roof. Our last supper was a real festive turkey supper and topped with the festive rommegrøt, specially made by the Baking instructresses. A real gourmet meal, ladies!

The evening program started with a parade of the children to the front, all bedecked in Norwegian costumes (used for Scandapades '76 and thanks to Torske Klubben regrant) carrying Norwegian and Canadian flags. Copies of the program were made by the Copier machine (machine especially purchased for Camp 1974) and were arranged by Hulda Erickson and Beatrice Huser.

The following is the program:

Velkommen til Trollhaugen!
M.C. — Darren Vigen

1. O Canada and Ja, vi elsker!
2. Ba, ba lille lam — poem by Lois Anne Vigen
3. The Boys who met the Trolls — play, Group I. (Troll costumes from Scandapades used) — Norwegian.
4. Folk dancing — "Per Spelman", Det står en friar.
"Pal på haugen", Ox dansen.
5. A kjøpe vatten, å kjøpe ve — Group III.
6. Tap Danse — "Klonkken" — Joanne Hope.
7. Mor skal bake kaker — Group I (Mother's baking cakes).
8. Group singing:
Hils fra meg
Pål paa haugen
Kan du glemme.
9. The Seventh Father of the House — Group III (in Norwegian)
10. Tap Dance — "I've Got Rhythm" — Joanne Hope.
11. De Tre bukker Bruse (The men — Group III)
The Three Billy Goats Gruff.
12. Reading — Coralie Geving (niece to Mrs. Erickson) — "Presten og Kolkern" (Minister and the Deacon)
13. God Save The Queen.

Viewing of Arts and Crafts in lounge
Norwegian Grace — sung —

"I Jesu Navn"

Lunch — Coffee, Norwegian baking (yummy yum)

Musical Interludes by:
Harry Huser, Milford Erickson and Helen Lien.

We had about 25 visitors that night, some of whom had also visited during the week.

I believe everyone who was at the program enjoyed it and marvelled at the knowledge gained in one week. Some really pronounced and spoke certain words very distinctly. The crafts produced were unbelievable. They left, some that night, but mostly Sunday morning, happy with their accomplishments, good experiences in working and playing together and the new friendships formed. Most were sorry to say their good-byes and many promised to come back next year. So lives our Norwegian culture and heritage!

I would like to thank Rohning Lodge for the opportunity to be Handicrafts Instructress again for the camp this year and also my very efficient helpers, Anne Heggen and Lil Hoveland from Camrose. It was most enjoyable and hopefully helped the youngsters to share and produce the great wealth of Norwegian handicrafts, for their own.

I would like to see the sponsors of next year's camp begin right now to make plans for next year's camp. It does take a lot of forethought and preparation to be successful. The location ought to be booked, well advertised, applications out in time, etc. How about a special camp committee so there could be continuity from one year to the next?

Se dere alle neste aar!

Submitted by
Mrs. Astrid Hope
Cultural Director
Sons of Norway
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MORE DONATIONS

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By Leslie L. Morris
Managing Editor

Donations for the Scandinavian Centre News are still coming in and we hope they continue to do so until we have overreached this coming year's expenses.

We also wish to thank

each and every one of you who have sent in a donation this year, and we can only urge others to do so.

It has been the greatest response to any appeal the paper has ever requested. It can only be due to the work and efforts of the Director of the paper, Stan Hafso, the President of the Scandinavian Centre, Per Nielsen, the backing of the Scandinavian Centre Board of Directors, itself, and the great response of the readers of the Scandinavian Centre News.

The total amount received up to publishing time is \$3,812.85. Previously, donations for the whole year just reach around \$1,000.

Plans are still being made to further increase the revenue for the paper on a more substantial basis. The Board of Directors are in the stage of applying to the Provincial Government Culture Department for another yearly grant, and it is hoped the five Scandinavian groups can be induced to find ways and means, also, to be able to better support the paper which presents their information, news and views, on a more substantial basis.

Thanks to all, again. □

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Best wishes
Doralene Bollers
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Good luck for continued success.

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Mrs. Gudbjorg S. Letourneau
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So please keep the paper coming as it helps me keep in contact with Edm.

So good luck with the paper.

John G. Swanson
9534 McNaught Rd.
Chilliwack, B.C.

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daughter of a shareholder in the Scandinavian Centre, please contact me at 478-8394 for more information.

I sincerely hope each society will have a representative and I wish each of them the very best of luck.

Don't miss out on the thrill of watching these girls compete for the title of SCANDINAVIAN CENTRE QUEEN, plan to attend both portions of the contest. Remember, YOUR presence may give YOUR representative a little more confidence.

Tickets for the dinner and dance can be obtained from the Scandinavian Centre, 14220 - 125 Avenue, 455-4355, or PENTTI SIPARI, 462-7261, or KARIN JACKSON, 478-8394.

See you on October 6, and October 9 at the Scandinavian Centre. □

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provide proof of these, or publish a retraction and apology in the November issue of this newspaper.

AN OPEN LETTER

By Allan Sorensen

In reply to the negative comments made by C. Jacobsen in the September issue of Scandinavian Centre News, "The Smell of Good Food", it is unfortunate he is not aware other people are capable of producing same.

He who knows a good deal (Business Talent) when he sees one should not contradict himself.

If he is so dissatisfied with the present board of directors and management why is he still a member of the Scandinavian Centre?

I know of several people who are annoyed by his backstabbing comments and remarks he has made since he has become less involved with the S. Centre and the club of his own Ethnic background.

It does make one wonder what he hopes to achieve with this.

I would be inclined to think that a positive approach would be more beneficial to everyone involved, instead of remarks like "SLEEP-IN" Meetings and "Nightcaps".

In my opinion the present board of Directors and the management has made one achievement which is worth a recognition. They have managed to put on a financial drive to support our paper to the tune of over \$3,200.00 up to Sept. month. Did you make that achievement?

They have also managed to keep the Centre intact until now and I for one am confident they will manage to have the Scandinavian Centre intact when the year is over, despite your gloomy forecast.

Please may we be spared for your "OLD-TIMERS"

disheartening comments, and instead be grateful for some "OLD-FASHIONED" DRIVE and initiative.

Time will prove that you are wrong.

Allan Sorensen

FROM THE DESK OF THE MANAGER

By Peter Elander
IS IT GOING TO BE A
HABIT?

HOW COME that some people always are complaining without bringing forward a solution to overcome the problem? Some problems could be solved much faster if brought to the attention of the Board of Directors of your Club or the Centre. I, as the Manager, have an open office door for anything I can do to help.

I suggest to talk it over, rather than fight over it. If it has to be a fight, fine. But before the fight starts, be sure what you are fighting for. Have the facts ready, and I am talking about the truth, not just hearsay.

LET US "BUILD" ON SOMETHING, DO NOT TEAR IT DOWN.

ALBERTA SOCIETIES ACT

It has come to my knowledge that at least one of Societies is not under the Alberta Societies Act.

My question is: Are these Society's Directors aware of the risk they are exposing themselves to?

It amounts to this:

If a claim is laid against the Society, the Board of Directors will be held responsible for all it takes. Under the Societies Act, the Society will only be responsible for whatever the Society owns.

I, for one, refuse to be a Director for a club that is not under the protection of the Societies Act.

SOLUTION

For the cost of \$10.00, any club can be protected under the Societies Act. □

SWEDISH SMORGASBORD

DINING

5:30 to 7:30 p.m.

ENTERTAINMENT BY

Philippine Folk Dance Group

8:00 to 9:00 p.m.

DANCING TO MIDNIGHT

Saturday, November 6th

at the
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October 3 and 17 — 11:00 a.m. - Danish (Høstfest - 17th)
October 10 and 24 — 11:00 a.m. - English (Harvest Festival - 10th)
October 31 — 8:00 p.m. - Danish - Guest Pastor is Pastor Overgaard-Thomsen, former pastor of Ansgar

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SPONSORED BY

The Finnish Society
& The
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Saturday, October 9, 1976

Viking Room

Scandinavian Centre, 14220 - 125 Avenue

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8:00 Scandinavian Centre Queen Contest

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THE DANISH SOCIETY

"DANIA"

OCTOBER BANQUET

"Sild and Smørrebrød"

Saturday, October 16, 1976

at 7:00 p.m. in the VIKING ROOM
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